## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## the City Of Augusto

## **Proclamation**

IN RECOGNITION of "Theodis Ealey"

WHEREAS, Theodis Ealey, a Mississippi native, began his career at the age of thirteen as a bassist with Y Z Ealey and the Merrymakers and honed his skills as a guitarist with a group called Eugene Butler and the Rocking Royals; and

WHEREAS, having music as a part of his life has enabled him to play guitar with notable artists and through his musical journey has generated a personal style based upon his love of diverse music – blues, country, soul, and rock; and

WHEREAS, taking a chance he began searching for his voice and soon the music industry discovered the artist behind the guitar which led to his signing with Ichiban Records, where he recorded several excellent CDs; his is now part of IFGAM Records; and

WHEREAS, he received the Mo' Better Blues Male Artist of the Year award in 1987 and Male Vocalist Top Star award in the San Francisco Bay Area in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Theodis Ealey is known worldwide as a skilled guitarist, vocalist, songwriter, and producer, and has provided unsurpassed entertainment and will continue for years to come; and

WHEREAS, Theodis Ealey will appear at Clear Channel's WKSP 96.3 Kiss fm "Intimate Evening Music Series" August 12, 2004, at the Touch of Class Lounge.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim August 12, 2004, as "THEODIS EALEY DAY" in Augusta, Georgia, and urge all citizens to recognize this day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 2004.